

'IS WORLD UNABLE TO SAVE US?' PLEA FROM POLAND

No Jews Left In
One Entire Region,
Message Says

BULLETIN

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

LONDON—Not a single Jew will be left alive in Poland by the end of 1943 if the Nazis are not defeated by that time, a report from Turkey received here predicted. The report quoted the Turkish newspaper "Realite" as revealing that detailed plans to exterminate the entire Jewish population in Poland by the end of this year were prepared by Reinhard Heydrich, deputy chief of the Gestapo, shortly before he was assassinated in the Czech protectorate last summer.

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

SOMEWHERE IN EUROPE—Is the world really unable to save us?" asks a pathetic message, in code, from Jews in Nazi-occupied Poland, which was received here this week.

Other messages reaching here during the last week report renewed Nazi massacres in all parts of Poland. One message reports that not a single Jew has been left alive in the entire region of Schondra, in Galicia. All the Jews there were driven into neighboring woods where they were executed after being forced to dig their own graves.

In Rawa-Russka, a large Galician city, Jews are being executed daily after reaching there from Holland, Belgium and from various parts of Poland, another message reveals. The Nazi authorities are forcing the Jews of Rawa-Russka to bury the executed victims and hair-raising scenes are taking place.

Committee to Make Donor Lunch Plans

Plans for the Hadassah Donor Luncheon to be given April 7, will be made at a dessert luncheon meeting of the committee at p. m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24, at the home of Mrs. Max Selig, 760 Central Ave. All members of Hadassah who wish to serve on the committee are invited to attend.

Reservations for the donor luncheon will be ten dollars while donors may subscribe



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Special

JERUSALEM — Henrietta Szold, the outstanding American Jewish woman of our generation and founder of Hadassah, was the recipient of a unique honor on her 82nd birthday which she celebrated recently, when the planting of a forest of 10,000 trees in her name was begun. A simple but impressive ceremony marked the planting. The first and 83rd trees were set into the soil by Miss Szold herself (shown above).

Children from Maaleh Ha'Chamisha planted the 84th tree which was marked with the numeral "120" as an expression of Palestine Jewry's birthday wishes for the prolongation of Miss Szold's life to the Biblical "120 years".

On Feb. 22, George Washington's birthday will be marked in Palestine by the planting of additional trees in the Washington Forest which was begun a decade ago by American Jews on the occasion of the observance of the bicentennial anniversary of the birth of the first President of the United States.

eighteen dollars or more.

Proceeds of the affair will go toward the support of the Hadassah Medical Organization and Youth Aliyah.

Mrs. Joseph Bliden.

The tea and bond rally is being given in conjunction with the Zionist Bond Rally taking place this month all over the United States. Bonds will actually be issued at the tea through the courtesy of the Circle Theater which is a bond issuing agent. Guests are urged to buy their bonds for February at this affair. Those who have stamp books to be completed may fill their books at that time and exchange them for bonds.

The affair will take the place of the regular Hadassah meeting for February.

Mrs. Israel Chodos will give the opening prayer and Mrs. Stanley Levinson will lead in community singing with Mrs. A. Jaffee as accompanist.

tea table which will be decorated in patriotic colors. Also assisting will be the co-chairmen of the American Affairs Committee including Mrs. I. Irving Newman, Mrs. Morris Kaseff, Mrs. L. L. Goodman and Mrs. J. A. Goodman. Mrs. Jacob Lutz is hospitality chairman.

Mrs. Sholem Eitinger will give president's greetings. The program is being arranged by

ASSEMBLY OPENS OFFICE AS PROSKAUER SHOWS UP

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK—With Judge Joseph Proskauer, newly-elected president of the American Jewish Committee appearing to state reasons why the projected organization is not necessary, the executive committee of the American Jewish Assembly, meeting for the first time since its election at the Pittsburgh Conference, this week elected an administrative committee to guide the Assembly between meetings of the executive committee.

The meeting authorized the opening of Assembly headquarters in New York and elected a working study committee to draft plans for the election of community delegates to the Assembly of the several organizations invited to but not represented at the Pittsburgh Conference, as well as other organizations.

Muncieites Hosts To Many Visitors

Special

MUNCIE — Mr. and Mrs. S. Gold are leaving for Detroit, to attend the wedding of their niece. Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hertz have returned from their trip to Flint, Mich., where they visited their daughter, Bea Cossman, formerly of Muncie. Mrs. Ben Levine, sister of Grace Safier, visited here from Charleston, S. C., for a few weeks. Mrs. Leonard Berman and son have gone to New York to visit friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Weiser have visited with their daughter, Mrs. Hazel Winick, on their way from Jackson, Mich., to Florida, where they will spend the remainder of the winter. Mrs. Jaffe is paying a visit to her son, Lawson Jaffe. She arrived recently from Dayton, O. Mrs. H. Pazol is back

from Martinsville where she spent several weeks. Mrs. Friedman of Omaha, Neb., is visiting her daughter and son-in-law and new born child, the Leibermans. Gertrude Pazol has as her guest, her father, Mr. Cohen, of New York. Rabbi Abe Klausner recently ordained, is in Muncie renewing old friendships. He was student rabbi and Sunday School teacher here last year.

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Council of Jewish Juniors White Elephant Sale will be held at 2:30 p. m., Sunday, March 7, at Kirshbaum Center. Money raised from the sale of contributed articles will further the Juniors' Port and Dock Work. Those having articles they care to give, have been asked to contact any of the following: Florence Slutsky, chairman, HU 6356; Zelda Cohen, co-chairman, BR 4506, or captains, Olga Berger, Eileen Satz, Jackie Woerner, Janet Frisch or Trudy Sandler.

JOSEPH TISO DIES

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

ZURICH—The Rev. Josef Tiso, pro-Nazi and anti-Semitic president of the Nazi puppet state of Slovakia who once declared that "in deporting Jews, Slovakia is acting in accordance with the Lord God's command," died this week in Bratislava, the Berlin radio reported.

T. E. P. AT PURDUE ADDS 2 PLEDGES

Special

LAFAYETTE—Early this week two men were added to the roster of this semester's pledge class, bringing the group's number to fourteen. The incoming duo are Len Harris and Phil Garver, both of Rochester, N. Y.

The pins have been flying about at record-breaking speed during the past seven days. Seen sporting the T. E. P. jeweled badges were Rosanne Krohn of Buffalo, N. Y. and Grace Ann Bell of Chicago. The lucky men were, respectively, Martin Garelick of Rochester and Marty Seidenberg of Jersey City, N. J. Seidenberg complied with the ancient cigar-passing custom, but Garelick failed to and was, therefore, thrown into grasping arms of the beautiful but icy Wabash, and what a beautiful heave it was.

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B'nai B'rith Here To Open Office; Adds Initiation Fee

Employment of a full-time secretary and opening of a permanent office in the Occidental Building were approved at the meeting of the Indianapolis lodge of B'nai B'rith Tuesday night at the Kirshbaum Center. Doors to the new office were opened within twenty-four hours of the decision.

Miss Ruth Watson is the new lodge secretary, and the number of the office is 411. All detail work of the organization will be handled by the office, and Miss Watson will be employed for half-days for the first few weeks, after which she will give full time to the job.

Sam Kagan, secretary, will remain as officer of the lodge but receive the detail work, for which he received an annual stipend, will now be handled by Miss Watson. At the same meeting Tuesday the lodge announced the opening of a Spring membership campaign, with Dave Cook, first vice-president in charge. The drive will open Monday.

An innovation in local B'nai B'rith practice was adopted at the lodge meeting when it was decided to charge \$10 as an initiation fee for all new members. In addition, it was voted, that the entire year's membership, \$12, must be paid before a new member will be initiated.

To keep informed you must read
THE JEWISH POST

Our Film Folks

HOLLYWOOD

Unless Specifically Stated, All Persons mentioned Are Jewish.
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By HELEN ZIGMOND

Wishful hoping: The precise timing of F. D. R.'s visit with the release of the film, "Casablanca," filled the Warners with Joy. Now Columbia is getting ready to distribute "Appointment in Berlin."

of her European colleagues informed that she had returned to Germany in the interim, believing that things could not be as bad as reported, and that she had been "detained."

Sid Grauman is having a wonderful time with his highly successful "Highlights," which he is producing at the Alcazar Theatre, San Francisco. Other ayem, about 2, he woke up in a fine mood . . . asked the switchboard to connect him with the theatre. Hello, hello, how's business?" he asked the boxoffice, jovially. "Oh, fine, fine," came the answer. "We're all filled up . . . not a cell vacant." Whereupon Sid suddenly discovered he was talking to Alcatraz, the federal house-gow . . . and he quickly hung up.

Dabs of Data: Luise Rainer won the lead in "Hostage." It's her first film job in five years. Francis Lederer also has a part in the same picture. Joe Pasternak just completed his 100th feature. Case of "two" many careers is the cause for that Dave Rose-Judy Garland split. Harmonicist Larry Adler is autobioging—title is, "Hand to Mouth." Boris Morros awaits the arrival of his father from Russia . . . he has not seen his parent in ten years. Calling the prints of Selznick's "Gone With the Wind," they estimate the total gross to date at \$25,000,000. It has been released three times and will again circulate in September, 1944. John Wengraf appears to be making the cinematic grade as did Kurt Katch and Helmut Dantine . . . he plays a Nazi major in two forthcoming films. Emil Ludwig's comedy "Return of Ulysses," was not so well received. It seems they prefer Mr. Ludwig in a serious mood . . . comedy is not his metier.

His idolizing fans would scarcely have recognized Glamour Boy-er the other day. Our recent "unusual weather," a lashing rain-and-wind storm, tore a piece off the roof of his house, and Monsieur Charles frantically rushed about to save the furnishings and art treasures within.

Ernst Lubitsch celebrated his fifty-first birthday and his thirtieth anniversary as a director in one week. Lubitsch's love of the theater began while he was clerking in his father's clothing store in Berlin. In every spare moment he studied acting. Victor Arnold, a comedian, was his teacher until he came into the Max Reinhardt fold at the age of 19. That was the beginning of a long career on the stage and in the films.

Equally puzzling are the actions of another stage personality. Several years ago Franciska Gaal, Viennese actress, blazed to stardom in Hollywood. After "The Buccaneer," "Paris Honeymoon," and "The Girl Downstairs," her light flickered and went out. We heard little about her since then, but recently one

JEWS IN TRADE

One-fourth of the union carpenters of New York City are Jews, one-fifth of the electric workers; nearly one-half of the painters and paper-hangers, one-half of the plasterers; nearly one-half of plumbers and steam fitters; more than half of the sheet metal workers. The proportion of Jews among the non-union workers is even greater.

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NEW SUBSCRIBERS

The Post is growing. From all over the State, and recently too, new subscriptions continue to pour in. The Post is read from the banks of the Ohio to the shores of Lake Michigan and from the banks of the Wabash to the Maumee. Herewith will be printed weekly the names of the new subscribers.

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By PHINEAS BIRON

WE'RE TELLING YOU . . .

Drew Pearson, the Washington Merry-Go-Round scooper, pointed out to us the other day that the proportion of Jews in war service is considerably higher than their ratio to the entire population of the country. . . Trenton, N. J., has a Jewish population of 6.1 per cent, for example, while Trenton Jews in the armed forces represent 8.4 per cent of the city's total enlistment. . . We hope you didn't miss the full-page advertisement, sponsored by the Textbook Commission of The Protestant, which appeared in the Philadelphia Record last week. . . That ad showed a mass of terrified Jewish faces, many of them looking more dead than alive. . . The caption that started off the ad read: "2,000,000 Dead Speak to America". . . And the copy itself was the best we've ever read in denunciation of the un-American, un-Christian phenomenon of anti-Semitism.

JEWISH ARMY NEWS . . .

Lisa Sergio, one of radio's fastest-coming new commentators, who commands an ever-growing audience for her daily broadcasts on WQXR, is a Catholic who spent several years in an Italian convent. . . That doesn't prevent her from being one of the most ardent supporters of the Jewish Army project. . . And she spends a great deal of her time arguing in its favor and answering objections to it brought forward by her Jewish friends. . . Pierre van Paassen who recently resigned from the Jewish Army Committee is now under medical treatment at the New Rochelle Hospital. . . We wish him a quick and complete recovery. . . Which reminds us that the Jewish Frontier's recent editorial about the silence of the Christian world in the face of Hitler's campaign to exterminate Europe's Jews contains many passages that were lifted bodily from Van Passen's famous "Appeal to the Conscience of America," which was published throughout the country some months ago.

YOU SHOULD KNOW . . .

The Committee of Jewish Writers and Artists is preparing the publication of a Black Book. . . In that book will be recorded the full story of Hitler's war-to-the-death against the Jews all over Europe. . . The chapters revealing the dreadful truth of what took place in the Nazi-occupied sectors of Soviet Russia will be supplied by the Russian government, which, we are told, has collected most complete statistics and data on that subject. . . From Eretz Israel comes a story which indicates that not all of Hitler's second victims — the Poles — have as yet grasped the lesson of this war. . . It seems that a detachment of the Free Polish Army now stationed in Palestine was billeted on Tel Aviv. . . The all-Jewish city gave the Poles an official welcome, with the Mayor making a speech in which he urged the boys to make themselves at home. . . Well, some of the boys, looking around the avenues of Tel Aviv and seeing so many of the faces they had been used to seeing in the ghettos of the Polish cities, began to act as if they were back in the Poland of the years when the Jews of that country suffered many indignities at the hands of their Christian countrymen. . . A Jew was killed in the ensuing fracas, and some of Tel Aviv's shops were looted.

STAGE AND SCREEN . . .

Sergeant Sidney Kingsley may be in the Army, but his new play, "The Patriots," is right in the groove none the less. . . With the success of Irving Berlin's "This is the Army" as the goal to shoot at, impresario Billy Rose is planning a super-production in honor of the other branch of the service, to be called "Here Comes the Navy". . . Getting ready for an early visit to American Army camps in England are Al Jolson and Jack Benny. . . It'll be Jack's first trip overseas in this war. . . Al's party will include his favorite accompanist, Martin Fried, 45-year-old ex-soldier who just got his honorable discharge from the Army. . . In the Army now is Raphael Hakim, one of the French motion-picture-producing brothers who have made Hollywood their headquarters in recent years. . . Latest Hollywood star to plan an excursion into the producing field is Edward G. Robinson. . .

ABOUT PEOPLE . . .

Max Werner, the military expert who foretold the futility of the

DR. LORBER SPEAKER HERE

Dr. H. Lorber, Chicago, will speak at 4 p. m. Sunday, Feb. 21, at 1218 S. Meridian, for the open forum of the Workman's Circle. Supper will be served following the program.

The next meeting of the Kondo Club will be held on Wednesday evening, Feb. 24, at the home of Miss Betty Zimmerman, 1916 Park Ave. Assisting Miss Zimmerman will be Mrs. Lester E. Budd and Lena F. Zimmerman.

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FRATERNITY BODY RE-ELECTS JACOBS

Maurice Jacobs, executive director of the Jewish Publication Society of America, was re-elected treasurer at its meeting in Philadelphia of the National Interfraternity Conference, which is composed of the 59 national Greek-letter college fraternities, non-Jewish and Jewish. Mr. Jacobs was a founder and president of his chapter of the Phi Epsilon Pi Fraternity at his alma mater, the University of Maine, and served his national fraternity as Grand Secretary.

LONDON TIMES WARNS ARABS HOMELAND IN PALESTINE CONCERN OF U. S., BRITAIN

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

LONDON — The Arab world was told this week by the London Times that "the welfare of the Jewish National Home in Palest-

Chief Rabbi Makes Tour To Encourage Enlistment

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

JERUSALEM — Chief Rabbi Herzog this week began a country-wide tour to stimulate the enlistment of orthodox Jewish youth in Palestine in the British armed forces.

The chief rabbi advocates the establishment of special Jewish orthodox units in the armed forces along the same lines as those established in the special police forces. This would give Jewish orthodox soldiers the opportunity to observe Jewish religious laws without having the army interfere with their observances.

PURIM CARNIVAL SET

Tentative plans are being made for a Purim Carnival to be given for all children by the Ladies Auxiliary of Knesses Israel Congregation. The affair has been set for Sunday afternoon, March 22, Purim Day.

Maginot Line and the strength of Russian resistance to the Nazi invasion, has gone on record as declaring that Germany will be defeated late this year and that Japan won't last much longer. . . Arthur Szyk, whose horripilant caricatures of Axis leaders appear in the New York Post, is very proud of the fact that the Japanese used one of his picturizations of Nazidom in their own propaganda. . . The cartoon showed Death wearing a Nazi elite guard uniform—and the Japs rained copies of it down to American troops in the Philippines, presumably on the theory that the Yanks would get scared to death. . . Boxer Barney Ross, who is fast becoming the chief pride and joy of the Marine Corps in the South Pacific area, added to his laurels the other day by knocking out a 215-pound Samoan champion. . . Barney, you must remember, held the lightweight crown in these parts. . . Personal regards from his daughter, Edwina, were brought to Ben Hecht by Walter Winchell on the latter's return from his South American mission. . . Edwina, who is married to a Brazilian, lives in Rio de Janeiro. . . Among the interesting people Winchell met down there was Herbert Moses, president of the Brazilian Press Association. . . Does the name Clostridium acetobutylicum Weizmann sound at all familiar to you? Of course part of it does, but what we want to tell you is that the whole thing is the moniker of a certain type of bacteria—which you guessed it—is named after the President of the Jewish Agency.

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tine is a matter of deep concern to Britain and the United States and constitutes a moral obligation from which no British Government could divest itself." The warning was sounded by the most influential newspaper in Britain as an indication to the Arabs that in preparing a post-war program, they must take a realistic attitude towards Jewish claims on Palestine.

Gallin Oneg Shabbat Speaker Saturday

Meyer Gallin will be guest speaker at an Oneg Shabbat at the Joseph and Anna Borinstein Home for the Aged at 2 p. m. this Saturday, Feb. 20, for the residents of the home. Mrs. Louis Sakowitz, chairman of Religion, will open the meeting with prayer and Miss Pearl Becker will entertain with readings. The board will assist the entertainment committee, Mrs. Bert Goldberg, chairman, Mrs. Bessie Rothbard, co-chairman, in the tea for the residents, following the program.

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By
RABBI SYDNEY K. MOSSMAN
Hammond, Ind.

My dear Al Segal. For many years I have been a reader of that majestic and prophetic column of yours. The soft spoken words and the enchanting way of life that you so beautifully express are constant luminaries of tolerance and of the way of life of a Christian. It is therefore most presumptuous of me, an humble servant of God, to even comment upon the wise remarks of the sage of Cincinnati. But there is a spirit within youth that oftentimes treads where tolerance bodingly fears to go.

I regret (most ungacious of me when you were so charitable) that you did not mention my name for when the tendrils of time have long made hoary this era of ours and future generations will study with deepest thought the repositories of your remarkable words of wisdom there I would have been immortal in your mere mention of my name. Even so, it is most gracious of you to put me in your collection of antiques along with the copper kettle, the horsehair sofa, the shulchan aruch, the mitzvos, and the rest of the Bible (the parts that you so gallantly refrain from bringing to the attention of your readers such as the section on false prophets in Deuteronomy chapter 18 lines 18 to 22, and the curse of

the same God, whom you so eloquently quote, in chapter 28 lines 15 to 68 in the same book, which I would suggest you re-read for after all age sometimes brings forgetfulness).

Your Judaism, oh sage of Cincinnati, is so like the Americanism of a neighbor of mine known familiarly in newspaper circles as Colonel McCosmic. He too thinks it wrong to punish those who have committed seditious acts against our government just as you think it wrong to punish those who commit treasonable acts against the Jewish people (although I still wonder why you cling to the archaic, medieval, antiquitous notion of the Jews being a people). There is however one difference between you two, you at least do not rant and rave.

Above all how can I but admire your lessons in tolerance. Here I am a Jew born five hundred years too late still declaiming against the anachronous concept of intermarriage: a traitor to the ideal of love. However, a few more of your columns and who knows maybe I too will be able to see the light of assimilation. Although I oftentimes wonder what will happen to all the Jewish girls when the Jewish boys marry shiksas and the Gentile boys refuse to marry the Jewish girls. Of course we could easily find a solution by merely sending all these girls to your Utopian Cincinnati where the ideals of true Christianity have been so nobly exemplified by yourself.

Besides my first article I must confess another sin of Cincinnati. I envy you your omniscience on all subjects pertaining to the Jew. Truly you must be one of the hidden thirty-six come to shed radiant light upon this ignorant generation. In the field of Jewish law, you are an authority; in the vast sea of Jewish learning you are a beacon of light; in the centuried labyrinth of Jewish history you are a corded guide; in the desert of Jewish education you are an oasis. Yes especially in the latter are you a true guide and grandfather. You see, my dear sage of Cincinnati, I have as yet only a young child and now when the problem of the Christmas tree comes I need but follow your advice and presto the problem is solved (I don't want to become person-

AL SEGAL Speaks On

ERSATZ

The World Wide News Service of the Seven Arts Feature Syndicate recently reported as follows: "Moscow—The Nazis, with the great drain on their man-power, have come to believe that a little Jewish blood may not be so contaminating. At least, that is the conclusion one may draw from some documents discovered by the Russians from a captured staff Nazi headquarters. These documents reveal that since last April it has been all right as far as the Nazis are concerned for Germans who were "only quarter Jews or half Jews to serve in the Nazi army". Those with only 25 percent Jewish blood were not to be discriminated against, the text of the decrees order, and could even become officers. But those who were 50 percent Jews might fight and die for Der Fuehrer only as privates."

N THIS connection I have an apocryphal story. This is to say, it is something that somehow comes to me without any documentation. It is, as they say, one of those things.

Anyway, it was right after last winter's Russian offensive in which the Nazis came so close to disaster. Besides the Nazis who were killed outright there were the many who were frozen to death.

The Fuehrer was thinking of the summer campaign toward Stalingrad and that the blood of the master race might soon be running short like gasoline. So much of it had been spilled that the intuitive Fuehrer could foresee a time when there would be an absolute shortage of Nazi blood to spill.

He had known what to do about other shortages. Ersatz! There was barley for coffee, paper for overcoats. As for oil, synthetic stuff would have to do until the Nazis reached the Caucasus oil field—and that was only a matter of summer months. Yes, by the end of summer he would have the Caucasus and its fabulous wealth.

But how to get more blood to spill? The blood resources of the satellites were already well-nigh exhausted and the hot Italian blood had been getting cold. Plainly it was a problem of obtaining ersatz blood to spill.

The leading Nazi biologists were consulted. They could be depended upon. Tho way back in 1933, they had so definitely reduced Jewish blood to inferior quality! The renowned Professor Schweinfuss had written his thesis which said Jewish blood wasn't as good as Nazi, and that had settled the matter.

Professor Schweinfuss' work had been a great help to the Nazi economy. After he had caused Jewish blood to become inferior, the Nazi progress toward being self-contained was simplified. Jewish blood having been made inferior, it was a logical step to decree that Jewish doctors and lawyers might no longer practice their professions, and thus increase the practice of Nazi doctors and lawyers whose veins contained that master blood. Jewish bankers could be liquidated and their holdings applied to the Nazi treasury; Jewish electrical manufacturers could be expropriated and their properties added to the fattening of Goering who had become chief of the electrical industry. Doktor Schweinfuss had affected a synthesis of biology and national economy.

With the same facile skill the Nazi biologists applied themselves to the approaching blood shortage. Indeed, it was the same Schweinfuss

who found the way. The professor's reasoning was that if by one thesis he could degrade Jewish blood, he could, by another thesis make some Jewish blood all right again.

In his second thesis he discovered that a quarter measure of Jewish blood was practically as good as Nazi blood and that a half measure was almost as good—worthy, indeed, to be spilled for the Fuehrer. His discovery was gratefully communicated to the high command and to all staff headquarters, to the gauleiters in all the districts. Everywhere a search was on for quarter measure and half measure Jews, and so it fell that they came around to Kurt Oppenheimer. . . . "Oppenheimer", they said, "you're almost a Nazi."

Kurt Oppenheimer was half Jewish. Early in the Hitler period he had been made to suffer the obloquy that was for people whose blood was half Jewish. He had been a traveling salesman handling ladies' hosiery, but the revelations of the Schweinfuss thesis disqualified him from handling this line or any other line, for that matter.

In the ensuing years Kurt Oppenheimer lived on the breadline. He had to suffer a spell in a concentration camp. Kurt wondered why he didn't die but as a patriotic German he hoped to live to see Germany restored to a place among the civilized nations sometime.

When, in the crisis of the Nazi blood supply, Kurt's half portion of Jewish blood was found all right, after all, he was called to the German army. He was allowed to die for the Fuehrer who for ten years had allowed him scarcely to live. Kurt fell at Stalingrad. His blood trickled in a rivulet on a Stalingrad street.

Now everybody who has read any poetry knows it, and so to say that the blood of the oppressed soaks into the earth and cries out for retribution requires no documentation. Yes, its cry summons the hearts of all men of good will. Those feet that touch it as they pass by are made to feel stronger in their will for justice and to be invigorated in their march toward its attainment.

So it was with Kurt Oppenheimer's blood. The story, as it comes to me, is that it cried out to the heart of every Russian in Stalingrad who passed by on the march to the liberation; its touch gave impulse to their feet. More than that: Kurt's blood laughed at the Nazis, at the bitter joke that after the ten years had made it all right to be spilled for the Fuehrer. Kurt's blood laughed and joined the laughter of the people returning to liberated Stalingrad. They laughed at falsehood, hypocrisy and cruelty brought down at last and Kurt's blood joined with them in laughing. Yes, you might say Kurt's blood helped to break the siege of Stalingrad.

Well, that's the story. The Nazis are welcome to use it if it helps them to prove their complaint that their disasters in Russia are all on account of the Jews. It may help them toward the belated discovery that the blood of the oppressed does summon the marching conscience of mankind to trample out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored. The Schweinfuss biology didn't know this.

(As for Professor Schweinfuss he will be in an awful fix when this story of how Kurt's blood helped to rally the Russians at Stalingrad gets around. The question is: Will he be shot, hanged or beheaded?)

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al but are you too the son of a rabbi as was Houdini). And all these years that I have been valiantly decrying Jewish Christmas trees in the old spirit of the prophets who were not nearly so nice as you in their choice of language and in their tolerance to betrayers of Israel, especially when it came to forgetting Zion (although you and the already less than ninety didn't take the oath at the rivers of Babylon, which in case you have forgotten is one of the psalms).

Then we have your famous character Mr. Zilch. Really now my dear sage of Cincin-

nati don't you think that he suffers from contrast with the more humorous Sam Lapidas. Wouldn't it be something to look forward to your ubiquitous Zilch meeting Lapidas. And while we are suggesting, may we suggest that it would be invigorating to have more columns by guest editors such as Emanuel Gamoran, you know, people from the other side of the fence.

Isn't it wonderful to have men like Dr. Magnes. Now you and your already less than ninety need only implement this bi-national state and never again will there be any

necessity to fear the specter of a Jewish state which might jeopardize the assimilatory Reform of the de-Judaized Council for American Judaism. I shall not attempt to answer your arguments for a bi-national state for an excellent answer can be found in the Zionist magazine the Jewish Frontier in its latest issue.

In closing this brief letter to you my dear sage of Cincinnati may we look forward to your taking advantage of the government's edict concerning newsprint and cutting your column so that it appears just every other week.

BOARD MEETING TUESDAY

A board meeting of the Joseph and Anna Borinstein Home for the Aged has been called for 9:30 a. m. Tuesday, Feb. 23 at Kirshbaum Center.

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